



VORTEX

Magic Club of PJs Trick Shop

April 2011 – Second Edition – Volume Eight

Schedule

Apr. 19	Teach A Trick – No Cards!
May 17	2 nd Annual Magic Contest
Jun. 21	Michael Hall Lecture
July 19	New Trick Workshop T.B.A.
Aug. 16	Elections/Workshop T.B.A.
Sept 20	Lecture T.B.A.

Dates are subject to change but meetings are normally the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

Michael Hall Lecture

Coming in June we will have our very own Michael Hall performing a lecture on children's magic. If you have ever done a kids show or are thinking of doing them in the future this would be a meeting not to miss. More lecture information will be coming next month.

June 21st 2011 at 7pm

DEAL OF THE MONTH

Extra 10% off a \$20 or more purchase at PJs Trick Shop

Members print this out and show *before* your purchase at PJs Trick Shop sometime in April to receive your deal.

*Offer can be used on non-magic items.
One offer per member Valid April '11*

New Location

We would like to thank Hackneys for giving us a home for the first year and a half of our club. We would like to introduce our new home for Aces Magic Club. We will now meet at Bogie's Ale House in Mt. Prospect. We will meet in the loft upstairs.

The address is 303 East Kensington Road, Mt. Prospect IL 60056.



Workshops

Think you can run a table at a workshop?

Do you have something beneficial to teach the group? Come up with a mini type lecture and teach some magic at the next workshop. Contact Bill Koch for more details.

Latest and Greatest Magic

We may not always stock the newest magic but it is available to us. Visit www.murphysmagic.com for a complete list of new and old tricks you may not have seen. Let us order it and save you shipping plus receive your member discount. Remember to support or local brick and mortar magic shops.

Save the shipping and receive 10% off for all members.

See Magic Live!

With your help we can make a list of where to see magic live around Chicagoland. If you know of any magicians or balloonists performing live for the public please let us know. Restaurants or public shows only.

Jaime Aponte – *Tuesdays at Giordano's in Morton Grove*
Bill Koch – *Saturdays at Pisanos in Richmond*
J.B. Brash – *Fridays at Long Grove Café*
Dan Neilson – *Mondays at Hackneys in Glenview*

Let us know where you work to add to this list.

Who, When, and Where

Member Focus:

Blake Everett



Aces' newest member is doing something special with his magic.

When Blake Everett was younger he came into PJ's for the first time with a friend to check-out the practical jokes. Then he kept coming back – But for the magic section!

Now at 17 and a junior at Hersey High School Blake is a member of the schools S.O.S. program (Service Over Self), which provides students the opportunity to provide various community services. A teacher approached Blake about performing his magic as part of a group of S.O.S. students putting together a variety show, which was to be performed at a local Senior Center. That led Blake to do a tour performing stage and close-up magic at other local Senior Centers and Elementary School Special Needs classes as part of the S.O.S. program.

Blake is no stranger to community service. Through his church he has done mission work building homes and churches in Mexico and in Louisiana after Hurricane Katrina. He is also an active member of Hersey's football and track teams as well as playing the drums in two bands.

A Word From Our President

Bill Koch

If you were fortunate enough to go to www.google.com on March 24th, you would have seen something quite captivating. Harry Houdini was featured on the Google Homepage. The "Doodle" as it is now known was the first one to be given an interesting Patent. The U.S. Patent office has declared that the Google Doodle will forever be known as the "System and Method for Enticing Users To A Web Site." After nearly a decade of lobbying, Google won its patent for its popular homepage doodles, which have frequently portrayed famous people including Houdini, video games such as Pac-Man, and movies such as Wizard of Oz. Why was Houdini portrayed on the Google Doodle? March 24th was the legendary illusionist's birthday. Magic is all around us, even on Google.



Make Believe

Showtime has picked up the movie Bill co-starred in called Make Believe. If you have Showtime please look for it April 12th for the first showing at 6:30pm. DVD's will be for sale at PJs Trick Shop as soon as they are released this summer. Ask about preordering.

Blake plans to spend his summer break not only polishing his magical skills but is very excited to take a trip to Longs Peak Colorado to mountain climb with his father.

Keep up the good work Blake and keep spreading the magic around our community!

APRIL WORKSHOP

TEACH A NON-CARD TRICK

April 19th 2011 at 7pm

Our April meeting is our first meeting at Bogies. It will also be our first Teach A Trick workshop with No Cards. Even if you love card tricks try something new and teach the club something without cards. Bring a few tricks to teach but remember, no card tricks.

Members: Free

Non-Members: \$10

2011 MAGIC CONTEST - MAY 17TH 7PM

It's that time again. Aces 2nd annual magic contest is back. This year we have guest MC Tomas Medina. We still have spaces open if you're interested in performing. There will be first, second, and third place given away. We will also have a member's choice award (see the award to the right). Members: Even if you're not interested in performing, come out and vote for one of your own.

Members: Free

Non-Members: \$ 5.00



ACES MARCH RECAP

AARON FISHER LECTURE / WORKSHOP

We had a good turnout for the Aaron Fisher lecture and a sold out workshop the second night. For those who were interested, the workshop went into the early hours of the morning, ending at 1am. Keep that in mind for our future workshops.

We need someone whom is interested in writing reviews and taking pictures of our meetings. If you interested please let us know.

ACES Board Members: *PRESIDENT - Bill Koch, OFFICERS/MEMBERS AT LARGE - Steve Lindstrom, Andrew Michals, Brian Johnson, Mark Chavin, PUBLIC RELATIONS -Fred Paul Bailey*

Deadline for Vortex submissions is the 24th of the month.



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